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In re application of:

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Official Action of March 24, 2005, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on June 24, 2005, and for which a Request for Extension of Time is being filed concurrently herewith, setting the period to expire July 25, 2005 (July 24, 2005 being a Sunday), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Non-Final Official Action. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

It is not believed that any further extensions of time are required. However, if further extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Applicants believe that no fees for net addition of claims are required at this time. Any fees required for further extensions of time and any fees for the net addition of claims are hereby authorized to be charged to **Attorney's Deposit Account No. 23-1951**.